

Claims

1. An image pickup apparatus having a lens hood mounted on the front side of an optical system, wherein said lens hood is composed of a base portion on the mounting side and a tubular portion on the front side, said base portion and said tubular portion are detachably coupled to each other; and

another lens is contained in the inside of said lens hood when said another lens is mounted on the front side of said optical system.

2. An image pickup apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein a dowser is provided on the inside of said tubular portion of said lens hood, and incident light is contracted by an opening of said dowser.

3. An image pickup apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein said tubular portion and said base portion of said lens hood are detachably coupled to each other by a bayonet claw.

4. An image pickup apparatus as set forth in claim 2, wherein a cap is detachably attached to said opening in said dowser of said tubular portion of said lens hood.

5. An image pickup apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein said another lens is a wide conversion

lens for widening the image pickup angle.

6. An image pickup apparatus as set forth in claim 5, wherein said dowser is provided on the inside of said tubular portion in the state of being biased in the optical axis direction, said tubular portion can be detachably coupled to said base portion irrespectively of whether said dowser is in the posture of being close to said optical system or in the posture of being apart from said optical system, and said tubular portion is coupled to said base portion in such a posture that said dowser is apart from said optical system in the case where said conversion lens is mounted on the front side of said optical system in the state of being contained in the inside of said lens hood.

7. An image pickup apparatus as set forth in claim 5, wherein said dowser is provided on the inside of said tubular portion in the state of being biased in the optical axis direction, said tubular portion can be detachably coupled to said base portion irrespectively of whether said dowser is in the posture of being close to said optical system or in the posture of being apart from said optical system, and said tubular portion is coupled to said base portion in such a posture that said dowser is close to said optical system in the case where said

conversion lens is not mounted.